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The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Since we introduced these baby taxis, owners of 25 big taxis surrendered their permits. We are proposing to give them to the baby taxi owners so that the total number of baby taxis may come to fifty."

Sri S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Is there any proposal to increase the number of passengers from four to five? "

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I have just passed orders that five people could be carried in a big taxi."

Sri S. THINAKARASAMI THEVAR :—" Will the Government introduce trolly buses as taxis, Sir? "

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Trolly buses are not meant for being run as taxis. They are expected to replace the tramways."

Educational concessions to the children of teachers re-employed after retirement.

* 468 *Q.*—Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether school-fee concessions granted to the children of teachers are allowed to the children of teachers who are re-employed after retirement?

The Hon. C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Yes, Sir."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" Question Nos. 469 and 470 may be taken together."

Supply of electricity to Ponneri taluk, Chingleput district.

* 469 *Q.*—Sri S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the stage at which the scheme for the extension of the supply of electricity to Ponneri taluk, Chingleput district, stands at present; and

(*b*) when it is likely to be taken up for execution?

The Hon. Raja Sri SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) A scheme for extension of supply of electricity to Ponneri Panchayat Board area, comprising Kummangalam, Thiruvayarpady, Chinnakavanam, Periakavanam and Ponneri villages, and Vembakkam, Thiruvengadapuram and Aladu villages in Ponneri taluk, Chingleput district, was sanctioned by the Government in February 1952.

" (*b*) It is proposed to commence the execution of the scheme during 1954–55."

* 470 *Q.*—Sri O. CHENGAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the scheme for supply of electricity to rural parts has been extended to Ponneri taluk;

(*b*) if so, to how many villages in the taluk; and

(*c*) if not, when this scheme will be implemented?